

Showers this afternoon and tonight; Saturday fair.

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TWO LOSE LIVES, SEVEN ARE HURT IN AUTO WRECKS

Big Machines in Series of Smashes in New York Due to Speeding.

FOUR OF VICTIMS WOMEN

Mrs. Howard Fatally Injured, Three Girls Hurt, Two Chauffeurs Dead.

Day's Deadly Record of Auto Accidents In or Near New York

Two chauffeurs dead; two hurt crashing into farmer's wagon while speeding to test racing machine.

One woman fatally hurt, another injured, a policeman maimed in collision with mounted officer, about to warn machine to slow down.

Baltimore touring machine runs down and fearfully hurts two girls in crowded Broadway.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—Mrs. Howard, forty years old, of Richmond, Va., was fatally injured in an auto accident here last night. Mrs. Howard, in company with Miss Margaret Evans, twenty-one, and Stuart Elliott, twenty-one, were speeding along Jerome avenue when their auto ran into Mounted Policeman Thomas F. Smith. The policeman and his horse were sent spinning and the two women were thrown from the auto. Elliott retained his hold on the steering wheel and escaped injury.

Three Victims in Hospital. The three victims of the accident were hurried to Fordham Hospital. Miss Evans was not seriously injured, but Mrs. Howard's injuries are such that she is not expected to live. She sustained a fracture of the skull and internal injuries. The policeman sustained a fractured skull.

Policeman Suddenly Appeared. According to Elliott, who expressed his distress of mind over the accident, he and the ladies had dined with friends at Woody mansion, near Morris Park race track, and were returning through Jerome avenue when the policeman suddenly appeared before them. The policeman evidently wanted to warn them that they were going too fast and in his efforts to do so got too near the car.

Two Chauffeurs Killed While Testing Machine For Prospective Buyer

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—Two men of six in a racing machine, rushing at the rate of fifty miles an hour, were instantly killed in Queens borough when their auto crashed into a farm wagon and two were hurled to a hospital, perhaps fatally injured.

The accident happened on Thompson avenue, near the Winfield crossing of the Long Island railroad, just before midnight. The dead are:

William Waller, twenty-three years old, who lived in East 17th street.

Harry Woodcock, who lived at Eighth avenue and 15th street.

Both are chauffeurs.

The injured are:

Frederick Wessenberg, 154 West Fifth.

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THE WEATHER REPORT.

Seasonal temperature prevails generally throughout the country, and no marked changes in temperature have occurred during the last twenty-four hours.

The indications are that showers will occur this afternoon and tonight in the middle Atlantic States, the extreme upper Ohio valley, and the lower lake region, and that Saturday and Sunday will be fair in the middle eastern and southern States. There are no present indications of excessively high temperatures in the Atlantic coast States.

TEMPERATURE.
9 a. m. 72
12 noon 78
1 p. m. 78

DOWNTOWN.
(Registered Anfock's Standard Thermometer.)
9 a. m. 82
12 noon 82
1 p. m. 86

SUN TABLE.
Sun sets today 7:03
Sun rises tomorrow 5:07

TIDE TABLE.
High tide today 12:21 p. m.
Low tide today 6:59 p. m.
High tide tomorrow 12:47 a. m.
Low tide tomorrow 7:32 a. m.

CONDITION OF THE RIVERS.

HARPER FERRY, W. Va., Aug. 10.—Both rivers muddy this morning.

COKE KING'S SON, FRIEND OF THAW, GIVEN FREEDOM

Another Pittsburger in the Unenviable Lime-light of Court.

REPORTERS HIS FRIENDS

George B. Rafferty Lands in Prison for Passing Worthless Checks.

Free as the air he breathed and released of a great strain, George B. Rafferty, friend of Harry Kendall Thaw, and son of Gilbert T. Rafferty, who is "coke king" of Pittsburgh, Pa., who is being sued by George's wife for \$500,000 for alienating George's affections, walked out of District Attorney Baker's office in the Police Court building today with several Washington newspaper men, who made good the \$15 which he was accused of having obtained by means of worthless checks.

Rafferty is a tall, good looking young man, but this morning his eyes were swollen, there was an expression of pain about his mouth, and he was badly in need of a shave. His clothing was somewhat disheveled and he looked much the worse for wear and tear during his spree in this city.

In a Dungeon Cell.

Rafferty spent the night at the Seventh Precinct Station. At 7:45 o'clock this morning he climbed into the van with a score of colored men and women and rode to the Police Court. Shortly after he was placed in a wire pen where he was given a ham sandwich and a cup of black coffee which he devoured with a relish.

A few moments after he had partaken of the scanty repast he was ushered into District Attorney Baker's office. There he was confronted by A. C. Appier and Joseph Waddell, of Georgetown, upon whom he is said to have admitted that he passed worthless checks for \$10 and \$5, respectively. Neither Mr. Baker nor his assistant, Hugh Taggart, had filed a warrant or information against Rafferty.

Visiting Fort Myer.

The two Georgetown merchants stated to Mr. Baker that Rafferty, who had been spending a week at Fort Myer with a chum, who is a member of Troop G, of the Tenth Cavalry, bought a number of articles from them, and tendered checks in payment therefor. The drafts were drawn on a national bank in Pittsburgh, where Rafferty at one time had an account. The Georgetown merchants sent the checks on for collection and they were returned marked "N. G." Rafferty was taken into custody by Precinct Detective Furr. He made a clean breast of the entire affair, and attributed all his troubles to "jag water." He said he had run out of spending money while in the city, but went into the two stores in Georgetown and purchased what he wanted and giving checks, because he intended telegraphing to his father, and ask him to deposit the money in Pittsburgh, Pa., so that the checks would be honored.

The Georgetown men were not solicitous of pushing the case, and it would not have mattered much if they had desired to prosecute it with vigor, because the man who had been taken to the Police Court, they stated that they merely wanted the amounts called for on the checks, and that they made good they would step down and out. Mr. Baker stated that so far as the Government knew, the checks were good, and in order to establish the contrary it would be necessary to summon persons from Pittsburgh at the Government's expense.

Merchants Were Paid.

After the merchants were paid the money which they lost by the checks they turned the drafts over to Rafferty, who tore them into small bits and tossed them into a waste basket. He thanked the District Attorney and merchants and left the courtroom.

Immediately after leaving the courtroom he went to a telephone booth, where he sent a dispatch to his father, who is summering at Thousand Islands. The young man stated in the dispatch that he had been arrested, and that he was in the Police Court, and that he was being held in the city. He requested his father to send him the wherewithal to get out of the city, and that he would telegraph office until the reply came from his parents. The latter informed the son that the money would reach him this evening.

Last night Oliver Rafferty, George's brother, telegraphed this message, "Am sorry you are in trouble. Father wants to know more about it before he will do anything."

It is believed that Oliver will reach Washington this evening and the two will leave the city together.

While in his cell at the Seventh Precinct, Rafferty said he had been a lifelong friend of Harry Thaw, and lived near him in Pittsburgh. He added that he and Oliver were in New York city several days ago and had intended to visit Thaw in the Tombs, but they were afraid the newspaper reporters would see them.

Young Rafferty was a good witness for his father when the suit for \$500,000 damages filed by Mrs. George B. Rafferty is heard. He alleged that the "coke king" was responsible for the young man's love growing cold. The damages were filed by Mrs. George B. Rafferty in her own name, and she had been in the same city with him for several years, but he had not spoken to her since 1901.

Rafferty says he and his father are on good terms, but he admitted that he did not get a fabulous amount of money from his parent, although the latter is worth upward of \$20,000,000.

Rafferty tried hard to keep the story of his arrest from the press because of what his father would say. When he found he could not do this he told the entire story as it really happened.

To Baltimore and Return \$1.25
Via Pennsylvania Railroad, every Saturday and Sunday. All regular trains except the "Congressional Limited." Tickets good to return until Sunday night—Adv.

Banker Stensland Race Plunger; Turf Books Unearthed in Vaults



Night Inquisition of Cashier Hering Brings Revelations.

CHICAGO, Aug. 10.—During the examination of Cashier Hering, of the Milwaukee Avenue State Bank, a sensational book came to light, showing Stensland in a new role—sport and race-track gambler. The book showed that the missing president, in company with a coterie of friends, was a heavy plunger on the races.

It contained memoranda of the campaigns on the turf. One day Stensland and his associates bet \$75,000 to win \$50,000 on a horse called General Bragg. The animal won. There were many losses, however, to offset this big winning.

Hering Questioned Eight Hours.

After eight hours of searching questions Cashier Hering was taken to a hotel at midnight in the custody of detectives. The night inquisition was a sensational affair. Hering was hurried to the wrecked bank in a closed carriage and for hours was in the vaults beneath the street level. Because of his supplications a guard of seventy-five policemen and detectives surrounded the bank to protect him from possible mob violence. Not over one hundred persons were in the street, however.

When he was excused for the night with a promise of another interesting day, the authorities felt confident they could convict him of forgery, embezzlement, and violation of State banking laws.

One of the most startling discoveries was the unearthing by Hering of a private ledger kept by President Stensland, in which was concealed \$191,000 of savings bank deposits.

This account was kept a secret, was never included as a liability of the bank, and was never so reported to the State auditor.

Stensland's Arrest Expected Today.

It is expected that President Stensland will be in the custody of the Chicago police today on information received from Henry W. Hering, the cashier, and his accomplice in vast forgeries.

Hering, it is declared, betrayed his chief's hiding place, and immediate steps were taken to follow up the clue, which, it is thought, will certainly result in Stensland's arrest before the day is over.

Strict secrecy is maintained by the authorities as to the embezzler's whereabouts, but the impression was given out that he was in Chicago. Another report had him on board a steamer bound from Duluth to Port Arthur, Ont., on the north shore of Lake Superior, where he was to be arrested on the arrival of the boat.

Young Stensland Makes Secret Trip.

Following this disclosure came the sensational news of a secret trip made by Theodore Stensland at an early hour today, which, it is reported, has had as its mission nothing less than a personal interview with Stensland himself.

This trip, it is claimed, followed a conference of the officials of the bank and the co-operative store, which is vitally affected by the crash, held at the home of Ole Stensland, on Monticelli avenue, at an early hour this morning, for the purpose of receiving the \$600,000 worth of securities, agreed to be delivered by Theodore Stensland at the time of his arrest yesterday.

There were present at the meeting Theodore Stensland, Ole Stensland, and the chairman of the finance committee of the bank and store. While the session was generally discussed, the expected messenger bearing the securities failed to appear.

No Securities Received.

Theodore Stensland appeared to be in great distress, and bemoaned the absence of the securities. He telephoned frequently here and there, ostensibly with a view to hurrying the expected messenger.

At 1 o'clock Theodore Stensland left the house and drove westward at a furious gait. He returned two hours later, his horse covered with foam, but he refused to say whether he had gone, or where he had spent his time. He stated, however, that he was trying to secure communication with his father.

The conference broke up at 3 o'clock without the expected securities having been received. Theodore Stensland said (Continued on Second Page.)

PRESIDENT STENSLAND,
Whose Arrest Is Expected Today.

PURITAN ORDERED TO OYSTER BAY FOR THE REVIEW

District Naval Militia Deprived of Use of the Old Monitor.

Members of the District naval militia who had looked for a joyous cruise of ten days at sea beginning next Tuesday have had their plans knocked helter skelter through a desire of President Roosevelt to behold before him at Oyster Bay the entire fighting strength of the Atlantic fleet.

The Navy Department this afternoon decided to withdraw the Monitor Puritan from special service for the District militia, to be the flag ship of the coast defense squadron in the review before the President, in which more than half a million of the American warships will participate.

Capt. S. W. Stratton, commander of the militia, on learning that he was about to lose the Puritan, called at the Navy Department and make a vigorous protest. Finding that Secretary Bonaparte had not yet arrived at his office for the day, he proceeded to lay his troubles before Rear Admiral Converse, chief of the bureau of navigation. The admiral pointed out that as the President had requested that the entire fleet be assembled in the review he was compelled to make use of the Puritan, which was loaned to the District militia by the Navy with the understanding that it should be held in readiness for use if called for at any time.

Naval Militiamen Disappointed.

Captain Stratton explained that the recall of the Puritan would be a great disappointment to the members of the District Naval Militia, almost the entire force of which was preparing to take this cruise. Admiral Converse pointed out to him that he saw nothing to do but obey orders, and send the warship up for the President to look at. The ship, in fact, could not be spared, as four monitors are required to make the proper quota.

When the Puritan was withdrawn from the squadron, the old battleship Texas was made the flagship, but recently she was placed in reserve. The Puritan is the largest, and carries the heaviest batteries of any monitor in the service, and is almost as modern, consequently she is the logical flagship. The other monitors of the squadron are the Arkansas, Florida, and Nevada, none of which can compare with the Puritan for speed and strength.

Captain Stratton was satisfied with the explanation, and will immediately send out notices to the members of the naval militia that the cruise is temporarily postponed.

The Navy Department has at the present time two or eight monitors on the coast, and it will be necessary to put almost 200 more aboard to give her a normal complement of men.

Sail August 28.

The department will find it necessary consequently to take charge of the vessel as early as August 24, and the vessel will probably sail out of the Washington harbor about the 28th.

She will leave Oyster Bay immediately after the review, which will be held later.

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\$6 to Atlantic City or Cape May

and return. Every Friday and Saturday until September 8, inclusive, via Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets good to return until the following Tuesday. Same rate to Wildwood or Ocean City. Through train to Atlantic City leaves 1:30 p. m. week days—Adv.



THE CHICAGO HOME OF STENSLAND.

WIFE COMES BACK; PLEA ON HER LIPS FOR FORGIVENESS

Mrs. Poole, Missing Ten Days, Greeted by Husband With Joy.

A dramatic scene stranger than fiction marked the home-coming this morning of Mrs. Florence Poole, whose disappearance from her home, at 9 Grant Place, northwest, on the night of July 31, almost crazed with grief her husband, Courtney A. Poole, with whom she had lived happily for three years, and set her relatives and the Washington police to wondering.

With a plea for forgiveness on her lips and pendent tears streaming down her cheeks she entered the Poole home shortly after the breakfast hour this morning and surprised those who live at the house. Mrs. Poole was not at home when his wife returned, but arrived shortly afterward.

After she had greeted Mrs. Lilly Hines, an occupant of the house, and had sobbingly told of the suffering endured during her escape, she started to go upstairs to her apartment and was ascending the stairs when she was stopped.

When Mrs. Poole caught sight of his wife he was overcome with joy, and embraced her affectionately. Mrs. Poole returned with only 35 cents in her handbag, and told her husband that she had just come from New York, where she had gone to visit friends. She was reticent as to her reason for leaving home, and only prayer her husband to forgive and forget what she had done. She admitted she had done wrong, and said she had been misled and misguided.

During her absence from home, Mrs. Poole visited Baltimore and spent several days with relatives. It was from Baltimore that she sent a message to her husband that she was seriously ill, and this was followed with a short note bearing a Washington postmark that "she had recovered and her plans were undecided."

Mrs. Poole left home July 31, telling her husband she was going out to do some shopping. Up to today that was the last seen of her by her husband, who had become almost distracted because of his wife's strange actions, and had paced the streets day and night, thinking that she might have been drugged or was the victim of foul play. The aid of the police was enlisted, and thorough search was made of the city for the missing woman, but to no avail.

KENDALL DECLINES SUPERINTENDENCY OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board Now Expected to Consider Qualifications of Other Candidates.

Word has reached Washington that Calvin N. Kendall, superintendent of the public schools of Indianapolis, would decline the superintendency of the District public schools if the position were officially tendered him. Mr. Kendall has been asked by the special committee of the Board of Education, deliberating upon the appointment of a superintendent, if he would accept the position. Members of this committee decline to give information on the subject, although it is generally understood that a reply has been received, and that it states that Mr. Kendall would not consider the position of superintendent of the District schools.

An effort will be made to prevail upon him to reconsider his decision, and in the meantime the committee will continue to take up the qualifications of other candidates.

Asked this morning if he cared to make any statement relative to Mr. Kendall refusing to give the matter favorable consideration, Chairman Cox said that he would neither deny or affirm the report. He said further that the committee expected to receive a letter from Mr. Kendall within a day or two.

Asked if the report that the committee was giving special consideration to a local candidate was true, he said: "It will be all right to say so. We are giving every eligible candidate consideration, in the hope of obtaining the very best man for the position."

DOG BITE CAUTERIZED AT HOMEOPATHIC HOSPITAL

A bird dog snapped at John H. Bass, of 204 P street northwest, this morning and sank his teeth deep into Bass' hand. Bass walked to the Homeopathic Hospital, where the wound was cauterized.

What are we here for? A very sensible purpose for our being here would be for our individual and collective prosperity.

Now another pertinent question—how can this prosperity be accomplished? The answer to this is easy—by fighting!

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TIME FOR ACTION URGE MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATION

Shippers Impressed by Sentiment Disclosed in Times Poll.

TO HOLD EARLY MEETING

President Bell Expected to Return in a Few Days and Set Ball Rolling.

To the Editor of the Washington Times:

I think that I may say that the comprehensive symposium published in your issue of this date, showing the attitude of the business men of Washington on the varying problems which the Jobbers and Shippers' Association must shortly consider in earnest, is perhaps the most important public service yet rendered.

The votes on the several questions were so frank, fair, and convincing as to leave little or nothing to be desired. The symposium may easily be construed as the magna charta of the movement for local commercial and industrial expansion on an imposing scale. It clears the field for action.

May I not ask the aggregation of opinions in its original form be preserved by The Times, that at some future time it may be turned over to the association.

Very respectfully,
R. L. FLETCHER,
Acting Secretary.
Washington, Aug. 9.

The demand of individual members of the Jobbers and Shippers' Association and of the public generally, which has given generous and enthusiastic support to the movement for an active prosecution of the object for which the organization was effected, was reflected in statements from a large number of Washington men, appearing in The Times yesterday.

Through the whole number of communications The Times received in answer to its queries rank the insistence for prompt action. "Do it now" was the burden of many of the letters. "Now is the accepted time," declared many others. If Washington wants more manufacturing enterprises, more jobbing houses, larger business of any kind, the present must be utilized and not too much reliance placed upon the future.

Early Meeting Desired.

The sentiment of the letters was echoed and indorsed by prominent Washington men today. Charles J. Bell, president of the Jobbers and Shippers' Association, will return from his vacation on August 20, and there is a general hope and expectation that he will call immediately a meeting of the board of directors, and, shortly thereafter, a meeting of the general association.

There are many things to be considered. The freight committee, which has been investigating the cause of delays in shipments from Washington south, will hold a meeting Wednesday next to receive the report of the subcommittee, consisting of Charles W. Semmes, Edward H. Droop, and Lee Herrell. The committee will probably be in a position to make a report to the directors by the end of the month.

Anxious to Get to Work.

There remain also important recommendations of the publicity committee, which in the opinion of that body should receive the earliest possible consideration. The committee is anxious to get to work and only awaits the decision of the directors as to what line the work shall take and how much money is available for purposes of publicity.

New members continue to join the association and plans are being quickly laid for an extensive and vigorous campaign along all lines of the association's objects.

Mr. Tomlinson's Ideas On How Best to Secure A Greater Washington

To the Editor of The Washington Times:

In transmitting reply to the various questions in your circular letter of August 4, I will take advantage of your request for "remarks pertaining to the general subject."

In the first place let us imagine that the inhabitants of Washington constitute an army, about 300,000 strong, encamped on the banks of the Potomac.

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